Town of Chesterfield Board of Selectmen

MINUTES January 11, 2012

Call to Order

Chairman Jon McKeon called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Others in attendance were Board members Cliff Emery, Elaine Levlocke and Administrator Rick Carrier.

Appointments

➢ 6:30 Roland Vollbehr

Rolland Vollbehr stated he wants to contribute some of his time to the Town and is interested in becoming a member of the Planning Board. He has lived in town for 30 years. McKeon asked what drew him to the Planning Board. Vollbehr stated it is the board that plans for the future for the Town and where land use regulations are done. He would like to make sure any real estate project is safe and that it meets all laws. He has an interest in real estate. He can understand drawings and maps; he has the time available to make the meetings and thinks he could contribute to the board. He is a firm believer in zoning.

He was advised that the position available is for an alternate. McKeon advised that alternates participate in the discussion until a vote is called and unless they are seated to vote they could not vote; however, it is likely he would be involved in voting. Tricia Lachenal, Planning Board Secretary, will have a packet for him.

Joe Goldspring (unscheduled)

Goldspring advised he has moved onto Spring St and is very concerned with the speeders on the street. He sees it as out of hand. The speed limit is 30 mph but is ignored. He is concerned with the safety of children. He suggests speed bumps. Emery suggested that he contact the Police Dept and request the speed trailer but he had been told it doesn't work well in the winter. McKeon suggested that he mention it to the Police and the Board would also.

For Signature

- ➤ Manifest #2
- Selectmen minutes Jan 4th
- Revaluation contract (2 copies)
- SWRPC Brownfields support Khyber store
- ➤ Intent to cut Martini
- Yield tax certifications Forecastle + Dauphin
- > Timber tax warrant

For Discussion

Emergency response pay

The Board reviewed Chief Rudolph's email regarding Emergency Response Pay for Town employees and the personnel policy in regard to response pay. Emery asked what is or what is not an emergency. McKeon stated we are not the place to decide what an emergency is. In his opinion the Fire Chief would be the person to make that call and if it is an emergency, they should go. The personnel policy states, "Every effort should be made to notify the appropriate dept head when responding to an emergency."

Rudolph stated as the chief he is responsible for everything that occurs in the department. All of the fire personnel work out of Town. Emery recommends he sit down with Bevis and discuss it. McKeon stated there is a policy in place so go with what is in the policy until it is changed.

Carrier stated if Rudolph were plowing roads and got an emergency call we may be causing emergencies.

Levlocke moved to enter nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Emery seconded the motion, which carried.

Levlocke moved to adjourn from nonpublic session and seal the minutes. Emery seconded the motion, which carried.

Transfer Station part time hours + budget items

The Board reviewed Dunbar's memo requesting clarification regarding the scheduling of part time hours. The Board's direction was for the part timers to be scheduled for the busiest hours. If the demand is there then up to 32 hours is good. If it is not necessary then the minimum of 23 is good. It shouldn't go too far either way. Part timers would be scheduled during times for safety, need and customer service.

Carrier advised that to have the 2nd full time position reinstated it would cost \$27,000 for the rest of this year starting April 1st and \$38,000 annually. This would include the salary and the personnel administration.

➤ Town property interest – 400 Route 9A

The Board reviewed Jeff Fournier's letter of interest in purchasing 400 Route 9A. Emery stated that the piece of land is connected to the Spofford Place buildings as parking and that land might be needed when those properties are restored to productive use.

The Board decided to wait at this time as they are still weighing their options.

Hulslander Rd gate

Carrier advised that according to the town attorney, if the facts in Atty Rand's letter are factual, then the 1977 town meeting vote did discontinue that portion of Hulslander Rd past the Hulslander's to the Westmoreland Town Line. The attorney's conclusion was that any dispute about erecting a fence would be between private land owners. The Board agreed. Carrier will have a letter to Mr French for the Board to sign next meeting.

> IRS mileage rate

The IRS has published the 2012 standard mileage rate of 55.5¢/gallon. The Board agreed.

Selectmen project list

<u>Review job descriptions</u> – Levlocke advised she is trying to catch up with Fairbanks. She has left messages and will keep trying.

<u>Spofford Place</u> – it was noted that the Board is waiting for the Phase II Brownsfield's report to come from SWRPC.

Old Business

Committee membership - McKeon has left a message for Sean Graves.

<u>Perambulation</u> – McKeon still waits for Denison to reschedule for the Keene line. It was noted that this will likely not be done until spring. Ross advised that Kathy Thatcher said she and Lynne Borofsky would be willing to do the Keene line but could not get in contact with Denison.

<u>Wheeler property</u> – Emery suggests the Board get another realtor. McKeon advised that his realtor friend suggested a perc test be done on the lot and that would drive the value of the land up. The Board authorized Carrier to look into having a perc test done.

McKeon stated that we do not need to sell the property. The Board should look at what they would like to get for the Town. McKeon will pursue realty options. Shoreland Protection Ad Hoc Comm – Tricia Lachenal will be the secretary for the ad hoc committee.

Other business

- 1. Levlocke advised she is interested in attending the February 11th training for new Selectboard members.
- 2. Levlocke advised that the Spofford Fire Commissioners have nominated Steve Buckley to the FMA Board of Directors. Levlocke advised that nomination letters need to be sent in February.
- 3. Levlocke advised the Chesterfield Fire Commissioners have a site visit on Pinnacle Springs Rd for the possibility of establishing a fire pond.
- 4. Emery asked about the part timer vacation and holiday guidelines; part timers who work at least 1000 hrs in the previous 52 week period are eligible for 4 hours of

holiday pay and after 3 years of 1000 hours are eligible for 25 hours paid vacation annually. Carrier advised that Geneseo is eligible for both in 2012.

5. Emery suggested that Warrant Article #9 for Property Revaluation be reduced from \$30,000 to \$15,000. Carrier advised it would be needed for the 2013 revaluation. Emery suggested that Warrant Article #12, Town Hall Annex, be reduced. Carrier advised that it had been reduced; the CIP sets \$40,000 but the Board reduced it to \$25,000.

It was noted that the Budget Committee public hearing will be held January 28th at the school. Typically after hearing from the public the Board will discuss the Budget Committees budget and decide whether they want to make changes.

- 6. Emery advised that Jim Hogancamp is looking into the financial aspect of the Historical Ad Hoc Committee, Judy Kalich is meeting with the property owner and Dutch Walsh will be the presenter. Emery stated there is an issue with parking and they are trying to see if abutting property can be used. The rent for the 2 apartments would be used to fund the operation. Carrier advised that if the rents were fair market value that a charitable property tax exemption may not be possible. A Boundary Line Adjustment was suggested to obtain the extra land that would be needed to increase parking.
- 7. McKeon advised that Carol Dumont is proposing a hair salon in the CRR Lease building on 5 Lyman Way, W Chesterfield. Steve Dumont was representing the proposal to the Planning Board. McKeon stated that this was a change in use and required a site plan review. This is the only opportunity to have a site plan established. The ordinance was reviewed by the Planning Board and a majority of the Planning Board voted that a site plan was not necessary.
- 8. McKeon advised that the Farr Rd development is far from over.
- 9. McKeon asked the Greenwood is made aware that there is intent to cut for the Martini property on Route 9. With regard to the property owned by PJB Real Estate on Route 9, McKeon stated that any property that has its 1st use needs a site plan review. If there are grading and water course changes the neighbors need to be protected.
- 10. The Canal St house condemnation The house is posted and the necessary forms have gone to court.
- 11. McKeon was not present when the December 21, 2011 meeting minutes were approved. He requests that the following be noted as a change that should have been in those minutes under the Steve Laskowski appointment. The Board agreed.

McKeon stated his extreme disappointment with Laskowski for writing the letter to the editor without his calling any of the BOS members; this is extremely detrimental to the office of the selectmen and the town over all. Laskowski stated he understood and asked what he could do to clear that up; he said he was willing to stand up at town meeting to state that the Selectboard did not know of the illness. McKeon said he would get back to him on what if anything he should do to set the record straight.

Information

> Misc. correspondence & newsletters

Adjournment

With no other business to conduct, Emery moved to adjourn, Levlocke seconded and the motion carried.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Carol Ross Secretary	
Approved by:	
Jon P McKeon, Chairperson	Date
Clifford D Emery	Date
Elaine H Levlocke	 Date